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OF PROTEINS, ISOFORMS OF THE ANGIOTENSIN I  
CONVERTING ENZYME  
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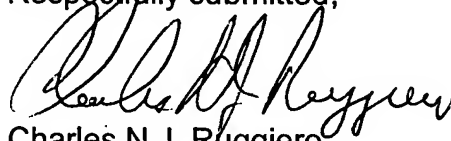
We are also enclosing an article titled "*Angiotensin I-Converting Enzyme Isoforms (High and Low Molecular Weight) in Urine of Premature and Full-Term Infants*" by Hattori, et al.

It should be understood that attention has been called to the citations that have been deemed to be pertinent to the claimed present invention. In concluding what was pertinent, the criteria employed was considered most appropriate in light of the invention shown in the present application. However, the Examiner or others may deem some other criteria to be just as appropriate or more appropriate. Therefore, the Examiner is respectfully urged to review the listed citations and to make the usual careful independent search for other prior art that may be pertinent.

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Applicant respectfully requests favorable consideration and that this application be passed to allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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	Hattori, et al., "Angiotensin I-Converting Enzyme Isoforms (High and Low Molecular Weight) in Urine of Premature and Full-Term Infants", Hypertension. 2000:35:1284-1290

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